

Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 2001:

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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
by victim-offender relationship and type of crime**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	1,485,990	100 %	11.3 %	17.3 %	21.9 %	4.7 %	0.0 %*	0.4 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	40,190	100 %	5.4 *	25.0 *	7.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	224,590	100 %	4.9 *	8.8 *	20.4	2.6 *	0.0 *	1.3 *
Assault	1,221,210	100 %	12.6	18.6	22.7	5.2	0.0 *	0.2 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	1,809,890	100 %	17.7	22.0	11.1	6.1	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	122,960	100 %	7.1 *	30.9	4.7 *	7.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	78,520	100 %	7.3 *	9.0 *	16.5 *	3.3 *	0.0 *	3.9 *
Assault	1,608,400	100 %	19.1	22.0	11.3	6.2	0.0 *	0.0 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.6 %*	9.2 %	4.5 %	3.4 %	4.2 %	5.0 %	17.6 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	7.6 *	0.0 *	6.5 *	6.5 *	13.2 *	28.8 *
Robbery	1.3 *	20.2	5.7 *	9.1 *	7.2 *	4.7 *	13.7
Assault	0.5 *	7.2	4.4	2.3 *	3.6	4.8	17.9
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.0 *	0.6 *	5.8	2.0	5.2	3.3	26.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	3.7 *	0.0 *	1.8 *	8.7 *	3.3 *	32.0
Robbery	0.0 *	3.5 *	3.3 *	3.6 *	3.2 *	10.0 *	36.4 *
Assault	0.0 *	0.2 *	6.4	1.9	5.0	2.9	25.0

Note: Detail may not add to total shown because of rounding.

Some respondents may have cited more than one reason for not reporting victimizations to the police.

*Estimate is based on about 10 or fewer sample cases.

a/Includes verbal threats of rape and threats of sexual assault.